

ANIMAL PROTECTION & CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD Meeting Minutes June 26, 2003

In Attendance: Staff:

Carol Williams Tim Jennings Deen Adolphe Teri Wilson

Shirley Malar Dr. Elizabeth Grauer

Greg Ellison

Rick Collord

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was officially called to order by Carol Williams at 6:55 p.m. It was delayed until enough board members showed up to make a quorum. Pat Jollota and Linda Cox notified APC they would not be able to attend.

Approval of minutes:

The reading and approval of the May 2003 meeting minutes was tabled until the July meeting.

II. Orders of the Day

There was a pre meeting discussion regarding the perception of the public to media and radio reports on several stations reporting a record number of animals taken in by Southwest Washington Humane Society. The reports also touched on the record number euthanized as well.

Tim made a motion that the pre meeting discussion be included in the minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

IV. Community Spay Neuter Program

The board discussed the report, and recommendations, submitted by the subcommittee that reviewed the submitted proposals. Dr. Grauer made a motion that was seconded by Shirley Malar to adopt and disperse the funds according to the recommendations given by the subcommittee. The board voted unanimously to recommend to the BOCC to enter into agreements to fund proposals at the recommended amounts.

Animal Control staff will contact all organizations that submitted proposals.

III. Roundtable

Tim Jennings summarized a NACA news article titled stepping outside the box involving Clark Counties Violence Indicator Steering Committee. The article mentions several agencies including Clark County that have collaborated with their local police, fire and child abuse intervention departments forming coalitions to educate the public on the connection between animal cruelty and human violence.

See N.A.C.A. news article.

Rick Collard brought up some concerns regarding the problem of tracking and scanning of ISO microchips currently being considered by a humane association in Oregon. ISO is actually an insurance company. He will contact Avid on the availability and possibility of obtaining a universal scanner that could read the chips. This is an issue since it is believed that about thirty percent of their adoptions are coming across the river to Clark County. The ISO shelter program is not currently available as an option for SouthWest Washington Humane Society because of the Washington State laws.

There was also a discussion on Oregon/Washington state requirements for health exam certificates and Rabies vaccinations. The board requested to be kept informed of further developments.

V. No More Homeless Pet Coalition

Staff related the discussions and progress of the No Homeless Coalition. The minutes of the May meeting were provided. There was a discussion on placement licenses for private and organizations regarding animals being placed in temporary care. Staff related the lack of feedback from the stakeholder organizations now fostering pets in private residences. It was brought up that dogs in care for 6 months might not be adoptable. Some felt that 3 months would be plenty long enough. The limitation on dogs and cats in section 3 was discussed. The discussion was tabled until next month

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There was no new business to discuss.

VI. Public Forum

There was no public forum.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Hearing Tribunal

The 3 scheduled appeals were held over for until next meeting.

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